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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, I am forwarding the Tulare County Association of Governments' (TCAG) Administrative Amendment No. 22, which makes adjustments to their 2004/05 - 2006/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). The adjustments are for the Congestion Management and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and include: revisions to the descriptions of two projects by decreasing the number of vehicles purchased; increases of less than 20 percent to the total costs for two projects; delays one project from Fiscal Year (FY) 2005/06 to 2006/07; and advances one project from FY 2006/07 to 2005/06. The updated programming is for projects that have been included in the regional emissions analysis of TCAG's conformity determination, and does not reflect a change in the design concept and scope of the projects or the conformity analysis years as assumed for the regional emissions analysis of the currently conforming Regional Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Plan. The funding of these projects will not delay the implementation of projects in the metropolitan transportation plan or FTIP. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. Please note that the approval of this amendment does not constitute eligibility determination for projects from this amendment that are funded from the CMAQ program.

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The changes are included and submitted by TCAG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System. Since administrative amendments do not require Federal Highway Administration and/or Federal Transit Administration approval, this FTIP amendment has been amended into California's 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP).

Please address any questions on this amendment to Penny Gray of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,

Rachel Falsetti, Chief

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**Enclosures** 

c: Lisa Hanf - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure) George Finney - Tulare County Association of Governments Ted Smalley - Tulare County Association of Governments